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(D) GENEVA 7239, (E) GENEVA 7386

1. AS REQUESTED REFTEL A, THE FOLLOWING IS TRANSMITTED FOR GUIDANCE IN SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING OF G-18 LOCAL REPS.

2. APPRECIATE REFTEL E WITH WHICH WASHINGTON AGENCIES CONCUR EXCEPT AS INDICATED BELOW. COMMENTS FOLLOW ON PATTERSON SUGGESTED AGENDA ITEMS AS WELL AS ADDITIONAL SUBJECT FOR DISCUSSION SEPTEMBER 27.

3. ANNUAL REPORT IS OF COURSE ESSENTIAL AGENDA ITEM. US REP SHOULD AVOID CONFLICT WITH EC REP ON REPORTING ISSUE AT MONDAY MEETING AND SHOULD INFORM EC REP THAT WE INTEND TO CONSULT WITH EC TO RESOLVE THIS ISSUE PRIOR TO OCTOBER CG-18 MEETING.

4. DISCUSSION OF NATURE OF CONSULTATION OF CG-18 WARRANTS SEPARATE AGENDA ITEM TO AVOID DISPUTE OVER REPORTING ISSUE

ADVERSELY AFFECTING FUTURE OF CG-18. US REP SHOULD NOT GET DRAWN INTO DETAILED DISCUSSION OF USG VIEW ON CONTINUATION AND ROLE OF CG-18 OTHER THAN TO INDICATE A GENERALLY FAVORABLE INCLINATION TOWARD PERIODIC DIRECT CONTACT AMONG TRADE OFFICIALS FROM CAPITALS IN A GROUP OF MANAGEABLE SIZE. WE LOOK FORWARD TO HEARING VIEWS OF OTHERS ON MAKING THIS KIND OF INTERCHANGE MORE EFFECTIVE. US REP AT OCTOBER MEETING WILL EXPAND ON THIS SUBJECT. FYI USG IS GENERALLY DISPOSED TOWARD A CONTINUATION OF CG-18 WITH SOME IMPROVEMENTS. END FYI.

5. IMF BOP ISSUE: WE ASSIGN HIGH PRIORITY TO BOP ISSUE REMAINING AN AGENDA ITEM FOR OCTOBER MEETING. WE LOOK FORWARD TO DG LONG'S REPORT ON GATT/IMF RELATIONS AND BELIEVE THIS SHOULD BE ISSUE OF CONTINUING CONCERN FOR CG-18. WITH RESPECT TO CONCERNS RAISED IN REFTEL E, PARA (B) REGARDING IMPLICATIONS OF MONETARY REFORM FOR THE TRADING SYSTEM, FURTHER INTERAGENCY ANALYSIS AND DISCUSSION WILL BE DEVOTED TO THIS QUESTION. THEREFORE, WHILE ISSUE MAY POSSIBLY BE RAISED BY US REP AT CG-18 IN OCTOBER, THIS ISSUE SHOULD NOT BE FLAGGED AT SEPTEMBER 27 MEETING.

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6. DISPUTE SETTLEMENT: WE CONCUR WITH REFTEL E, PARA (E), BUT BELIEVE THAT THERE NEED BE NO CONFLICT WITH A GENERAL DISCUSSION IN CG-18 AS PREPARATION FOR MTN NEGOTIATIONS, AND SHOULD BE VIEWED AS EXPEDITING AND NOT INTERFERING WITH THE LATTER. WE SHOULD SUPPORT INCLUSION OF DISPUTE SETTLEMENT IN CG-18 AGENDA, WITHOUT TAKING THE LEAD, UNLESS LDCA'S ARE STRONGLY OPPOSED TO ITEM AS A THREAT TO THE CREATION OF A FRAMEWORK IMPROVEMENT GROUP. WE ARE

HOPEFUL THAT THIS AGENDA ITEM COULD BE MAINTAINED WITH LOW-KEY US SUPPORT IN ORDER TO PROVIDE FORUM FOR DISTRIBUTION OF SECRETARIAT PAPER TO INFLUENCE THINKING IN CAPITALS ON THE SUBJECT OF DISPUTE SETTLEMENT.

7. AUSTRALIAN INITIATIVE ON TRADE IN AGRICULTURE: USG WOULD NOT OBJECT TO CONTINUATION OF DISCUSSION ALTHOUGH WE WISH TO AVOID ANOTHER FORUM FOR HAVING A CONFRONTATION WITH THE EC OVER AGRICULTURE. TO AVOID ISOLATION OF AUSTRALIANS WE CAN INDICATE THE USEFULNESS FOR AN OPEN AND FRANK EXCHANGE OF VIEWS WITHOUT, OF COURSE, INDICATING ANY POSITION WITH RESPECT TO THE YET UNSEEN AUSTRALIAN PAPER.

8. RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TRADE POLICY: NO OBJECTION TO THE INCLUSION OF THIS TOPIC.

9. AGENDA ITEM SHOULD BE ADDED THAT FOCUSES ON FUTURE SUBJECTS FOR CG-18 DISCUSSION. US REP SHOULD INDICATE

ON SEPTEMBER 27 THAT WE HAVE NO FIRM IDEAS ON NEW ISSUES THAT WE MIGHT SUGGEST AT OCTOBER CG-18 MEETING, BUT BELIEVE THAT GIVING ADVANCE NOTICE AS A STANDARD PRACTICE AT CG-18 MEETINGS WOULD IMPROVE FUTURE DISCUSSIONS BY GIVING AN OPPORTUNITY FOR COUNTRY REPS TO MAKE CG-18 MEETINGS MORE USEFUL. THE TOPIC RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN TRADE POLICY MAY NOT BE A SUFFICIENT CATCHALL ITEM FOR THIS PURPOSE. ROBINSON

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